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## Memorandum

TO: City Council

FROM: Lori A. Crouch, Public Relations Manager

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COPIES TO: City Clerk, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Council Interests

DATE: September 11, 2015

I hope you enjoyed your Labor Day holiday. I have included some information for your review ahead of next week's Council meeting.

**Roadway Solicitation:** Muhammad Mosque, Resource King, Campostella Athletics, and MDA (Fill the Boot) are the only groups with roadway solicitation permits. The permits are for adults only and children are not allowed to be on site during roadway solicitation. Norfolk Police are provided with a list of permitted groups and the special permit badges that they must have on site with them while soliciting. Traffic engineers review the locations as they are requested and the following areas are not permitted:

- Hampton Blvd. & Terminal Blvd.
- Military Highway at Azalea Garden Rd.
- E. Little Creek Road at Chesapeake Blvd.
- Sewell's Point & Chesapeake Blvd.
- N. Military Hwy & Virginia Beach Blvd.
- Military Highway & Lowery Road
- Virginia Beach Blvd. & Janaf Shopping Center/Military Circle entrance
- Robin Hood Road and Military Hwy.
- Hampton Blvd. and 38th Street

Norfolk Police will increase their efforts to monitor the above locations for any solicitation activity.

**HRSD Downtown Sanitary Sewer Pipeline Replacement Project:** Tidewater Utility Construction, Inc. is the apparent low bidder on HRSD's Norfolk Sanitary Sewer Pipeline Replacement project. Upon the approval of HRSD's Commission, construction will begin in January 2016 on the project streets nearest MacArthur Center as requested by General Manager, Jim Wofford. Access to businesses and residences will be maintained at all times. Tidewater Utility Construction has completed several projects in the downtown area. Staff has been working with HRSD's consultant on all aspects of the

project including corridor design, phasing, landscaping and traffic control plans. The project webpage is <http://www.hrsd.com/SouthTrunkG.shtml>

**Dominion Virginia Power Strategic Undergrounding Program:** Last year, the General Assembly and the State Corporation Commission approved strategic undergrounding. The approval allows Dominion Power to strategically bury approximately 4,000 miles of their most outage-prone overhead lines over a 10 year period. Dominion Power is investing \$2 billion to complete the project which will significantly improve reliability and reduce restoration times to Norfolk homes and businesses.

Dominion Power is using trenchless technology to bury the lines on private property. Dominion Power is contacting property owners regionally. Participation and granting of easements is voluntary. If a homeowner does not wish to participate, their power line will remain above ground. A number of Montgomery Street homeowners have elected to underground their power lines. Dominion Power is completing design and will be permitted to move forward with construction later this month.

The streets on the attached map are under review for 2015. The streets will move forward to construction or off the list as Dominion consultants perform feasibility studies and homeowners grant or don't grant easements to underground.

**Hotel/Motel Inspections:** The motel/hotel inspection team includes staff from zoning, property maintenance and the Fire Marshal's Office. This group inspects all motels and hotels in the city beginning in late August through the winter months. If at the time, the hotel/motel passes inspection, the operator receives a permit. Staff works with the operators to ensure conditions are healthy and safe for occupants. Staff will randomly re-inspect properties if a complaint arises. By city code, the operator is required to notify staff of any stay longer than 30 days.

**City Highlights:** We've had a summer full of wonderful moments worth highlighting. Here's just a few I thought you would enjoy!

*Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Assessment Center Opens:* The CIT Assessment Center opened its doors on September 1<sup>st</sup>. The center features a comfortable waiting room with two Norfolk Police officers (CIT trained) on-site, along with a NCSB Peer Counselor and enhanced emergency services staff. The center provides police a location to take a person in crisis for evaluation and treatment as well as support to develop their own personal crisis management plan.





Public Works Job Fair: Nearly 380 people turned up for the Public Works Job Fair in August to apply for twenty-six various positions in the Public Works and Recreation, Parks and Open Space departments.



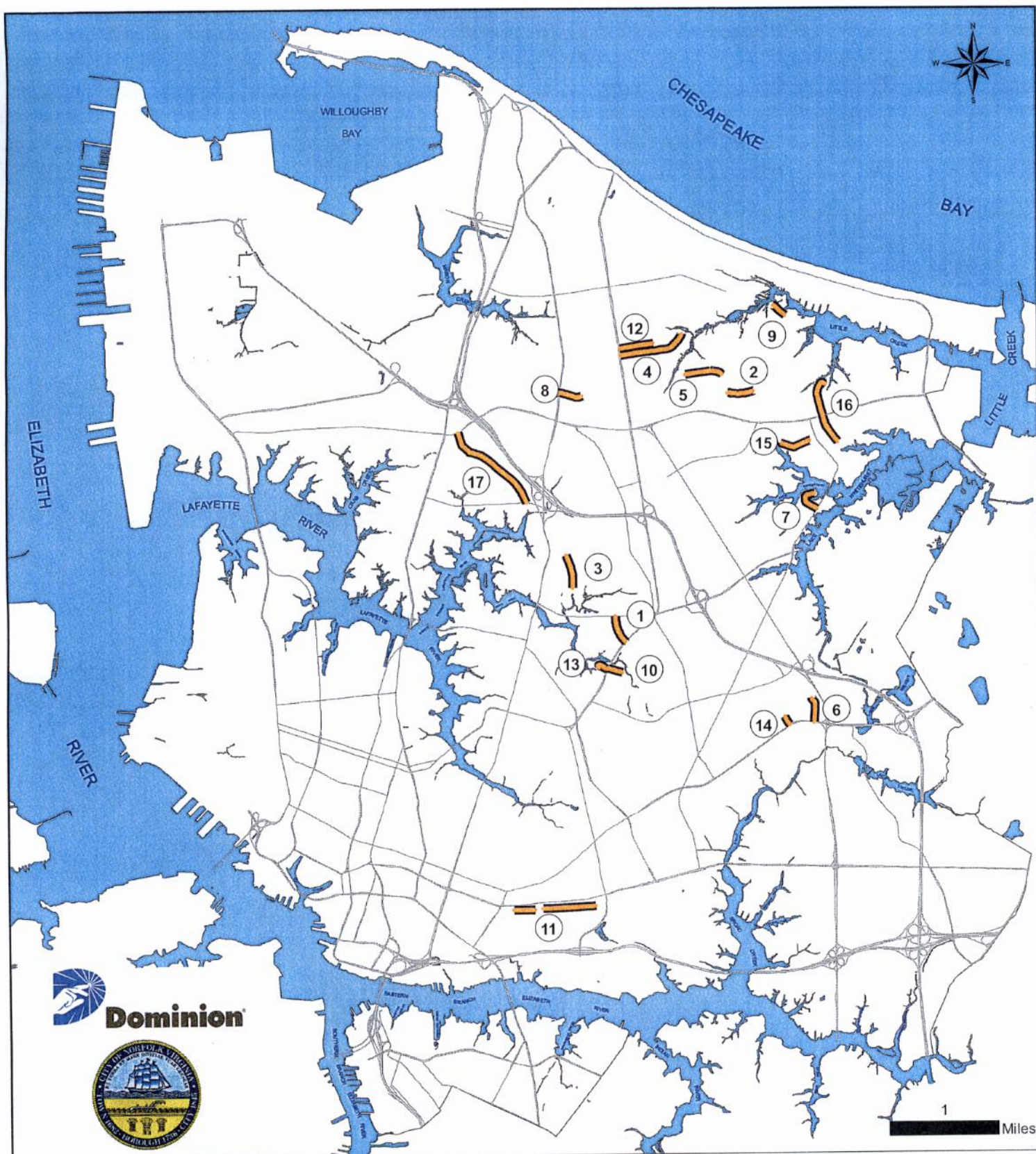
Award-Winning Lifeguards: Norfolk lifeguards took First Place in the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Peninsula Lifeguard Competition in Newport News! Events included water rescues, trivia, swimming skills, treading, brick retrievals and tug-o-war. Norfolk competed against teams from the City of Newport News, Water Country USA, City of Virginia Beach, Douglas Aquatics, Riverside Wellness Center and other seasonal facilities.

Norfolk Lifeguard Competition Team Members: Kendall Evans, David Wheeler, Desiree Joseph, Nathan Abshier, Tyler Patterson, Joshua Turner, Olivia Duran, Nicole Houle, Zack Nelson, Samuel Ford, Matthew Warnock and Gabby Ford.



Have a great weekend.





**Dominion**



## Dominion Power 2015 Strategic Undergrounding

### Streets Under Review or Design

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| 1 ABINGDTON CIRCLE | 6 COWAND AVENUE      | 11 MYRTLE AVENUE   |
| 2 ARROWWOOD STREET | 7 HOLLYBRIAR POINT   | 12 NOBLE STREET    |
| 3 AVON ROAD        | 8 LEONARD ROAD       | 13 NORLAND CIRCLE  |
| 4 BILL STREET      | 9 MERVIS STREET      | 14 SIGMON STREET   |
| 5 COUGAR AVENUE    | 10 MONTGOMERY STREET | 15 STRIBLING LANE  |
|                    |                      | 16 TARPON PLACE    |
|                    |                      | 17 VIRGINIAN DRIVE |

Digital Street Centerline compiled from aerial photography. Street centerline created by the GIS Bureau. Map prepared and designed by the Division of Surveys, September 2015.  
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